Nursing Homes

Registry Verification Requirements:

- Effective July 1, 2006, state guidelines for long-term care facilities (skilled nursing and nursing facilities) require that before allowing an individual to work as a medication aide, a facility must verify that the individual is listed on the North Carolina Medication Aide Registry for Nursing Homes.
- Long-term care facilities (skilled nursing and nursing facilities) must keep a record of accessing the Medication Aide Registry for Nursing Homes and document each incidence of access in their business files.
- Prior to hiring medication aides or other unlicensed personnel who provide hands-on care, long-term care facilities (skilled nursing and nursing facilities) must verify their listing on the Health Care Personnel Registry and Nurse Aide I Registry.
- Per <u>G.S. 131E-270(c)</u>, medication aides who have a substantiated finding, as defined in <u>G.S. 131E-256(a)(1)</u>, on the Health Care Personnel Registry are prohibited from working in a skilled nursing facility.